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Title: METHOD FOR CODING A PRESENTATION UTILIZING A SUB-
PRESENTATION HAVING AN INDEPENDENT PLAY-OUT SPECIFICATION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 24, 2002, please
amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-9, 11, and 13-27 without prejudice.

Please add Claims 28-42 as follows:

28. (New) A presentation program portion stored on a computer
readable medium, said presentation program portion comprising:

a sub-presentation program segment comprising:

a presentation element with a play-out specification
indicating how the presentation element is to be played; and

an interface program segment defining a reference timing
for the play-out specification, wherein the reference timing is
defined independent of the presentation element.